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New U.S. Patent Application  
Title: IMPROVED FILTER ELEMENT FOR EMBOLIC PROTECTION  
DEVICE  
being a Continuation of PCT International  
Application No. PCT/IE00/00053 filed May 8, 2000  
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Dear Sirs:

We enclose the following papers for filing in the United States Patent and Trademark Office under 35 U.S.C. 111(a) as a **Continuation** application of PCT International Application No. PCT/IE00/00053 filed May 8, 2000, which claimed priority of International Patent Application No. PCT/IE99/00036, filed May 7, 1999, and International Patent Application No. PCT/IE99/00033, filed May 7, 1999.

✓ 1. Application 44 pages, including 4 independent claims and 71 claims total (as amended).

2. Preliminary Amendment with Abstract of the Disclosure.

3. Drawings 21 sheets of formal drawings containing 42 figures.

4. Declaration and Power of Attorney

5. Recordation Form Cover Sheet and Assignment to Salviac Limited.

6. Certified copy of International Patent Application No. PCT/IE99/00036 filed May 7, 1999.

7. Information Disclosure Statement and Information Disclosure Citation, PTO 1449 with 3 documents attached.

8. Copy of cover page of WIPO Publication No. WO00/67668.

9. The filing fee is calculated as follows:

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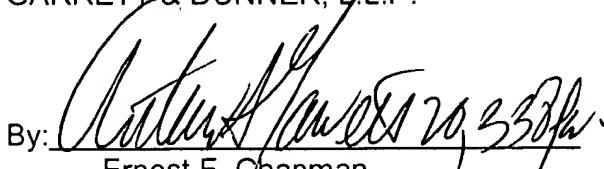
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